Subject: Trash Service

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Reina/Cairo/ Luis -

It was a pleasure meeting with you guys earlier today re the trash service in the city. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to share my perspective about the issue. Per your suggestion, attached are my prior and current bills for two of my properties.

The first pair of invoices relates to the property at 2377 West Pico. Last year, we were paying \$295 with NASA Services (not a small independent company). This year, with Republic, we are paying \$663, which is just the base price without any additional fees. So, we are paying 125% more for the absolute same service.

The second pair of bills is for a property at 806 W. 40th Place. Last year within Republic, we were paying \$387.11. This year, still with Republic, we are paying \$867.71. This is again, a 125% increase. But the current price is actually lower than it was at the beginning of the year, when it was over \$1,000 and I called to get it lowered. I am being charged \$334 just because the bins are far from the street. But there is nothing I can do about that. There is no where else to put the bins, and I don't have anyone to bring them out closer to the curb. I am also being charged \$133 in access fees, once for the trash bin and once for the recycling bin, even though they only need to gain access once in order to remove both bins. I am not sure why I am being charged twice for this. REINA — I WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE ANYTHING YOU CAN PLEASE DO TO REMOVE OR REDUCE SOME OF THESE EXCESS CHARGES.

Cairo — On a side note, on the way to the office I was listening to the news about the homeless shelter proposed for Wilshire and Vermont. I want you to know that I fully support the shelter. We need to have the shelters, and they need to go somewhere. I think the long-term effects would be beneficial. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help with the effort. If it would help, I would be happy to solicit the BLQ BID's support for it as well.

Thank you again.

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